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FOR AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: LOS UN US
SUBJECT: UNDER-SECRETARY GENERAL ZULETA'S VIEWS ON LOS
INTERSESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS

1. UN UNDER-SECRETARY GENERAL ZULETA HAS ASKED US TO
PASS ON THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO YOU CONCERNING THE EVENSEN
CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA AT THE END OF THIS MONTH.

2. ZULETA BELIEVES THAT YOUR PARTICIPATION WOULD HAVE
AN IMPORTANT AND POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE CONSULTATIONS,
AND THAT A NUMBER OF SENIOR OFFICIAL SFROM OTHER COUNTRIES
WILL ALSO DECIDE TO COME IF YOU DO. THE MOOD AMONG MANY
DELEGATIONS IS QUITE GOOD AND THERE IS A GENERAL FEELING
THAT PROGRESS CAN NOW BE MADE. HE THEREFORE HOPES THAT
YOU WILL INDEED ATTEND.

3. ZULETA HAS HEARD THAT AGUILAR AND YOU RECENTLY HAVE
DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF PAUL ENGO'S VIEWS REGARDING
THE GENEVA MEETING AND THAT YOU HAD EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN
THAT ENGO'S ATTITUDE COULD UNDERCUT THESE CONSULTATIONS.
ZULETA'S IMPRESSION, BASED ON A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION
WITH ENGO LAST WEEK AND OTHER CONTACTS, IS THAT ALTHOUGH
ENGO DOES NOT PLAN TO ATTEND, HE IS NOT TRYING TO BLOCK
THE GENEVA MEETING NOR TO DISCOURAGE OTHERS FROM ATTENDING IT.
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4. ACCORDING TO ZULETA, AMBASSADOR VINDENES (DEPUTY REP
OF THE NORWEGIAN DELEGATION) WENT TO YAOUNDE RECENTLY ON
EVENSEN'S BEHALF TO ENCOURAGE ENGO TO ATTEND THE GENEVA
MEETING. ENGO PROPOSED TO HIM THAT THE EAST GERMAN VICE
CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE I SHOULD CHAIR THE MEETING AND THAT
EVENSEN SHOULD BE ITS SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR. SINCE THIS WAS

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CLEARLY UNACCEPTABLE TO EVENSEN, ENGO HAS DECLINED ANY
ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE SESSION. ENGO ALSO HAS
INDICATED THAT HE WOULD NOT AGREE TO THE CIRCULATION TO
COMMITTEE I DELEGATIONS OF ANY NEW TEXT WHICH MIGHT BE
WRITTEN IN GENEVA UNLESS HE "GAVE IT HIS BLESSING".
IN EFFECT, ZULETA SAID, ENGO IS PROTECTING HIS POSITION
IN CASE THE EVENSEN CONSULTATIONS DO NOT PRODUCE RESULTS
WHILE LEAVING OPEN THE OPTION OF ASSOCIATING HIMSELF WITH
ANY POSITIVE RESULT. ZULETA DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT ENGO'S
ATTITUDE SHOULD PREVENT YOU FROM ATTENDING THE GENEVA MEETING.

5. ZULETA ALSO OBSERVED THAT ENGO IS NOW SPEAKING ABOUT
THE POSSIBILITY OF AN AFRICAN GROUP MEETING AFTER THE
EVENSEN CONSULTATIONS. THE NIGERIANS HAD PROPOSED HOSTING
SUCH A MEETING IN LAGOS AFTER THE LAST LOS SESSION, BUT THIS
HAD NOT MATERIALIZED PRIMARILY DUE TO THE NIGERIAN
GOVERNMENT'S PREOCCUPATION WITH THE FESTAC CELEBRATION.
THERE WAS LITTLE DISCERNABLE ENTHUSIASM AMONG THE AFRICANS
FOR A MEETING BETWEEN NOW AND MAY. ZULETA THINKS IT
UNLIKELY THAT AN AFRICAN GROUP MEETING WILL MATERIALIZE.

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